PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME Docket No.: 6653.US.01

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Group Art Unit: 1637 Examiner: A. Spiegeler

Applicant(s): Gerard Gundling

Nucleic Acid Isolation Method and Kit

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Invention:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of May 13, 2004 in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached Response timely.

Extension Fee For Response Within:		First Month		Second Month		Third Month		Fourth Month	
Large Entity: Small Entity:		<b>Ø</b>	\$110.00 \$55.00		\$420.00 \$210.00	_ _	\$950.00 \$475.00	_ _	\$1,480.00 \$740.00
⊠ □ ⊠	A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed.  Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 23-0785.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0785. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.								

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Respectfully submitted,

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